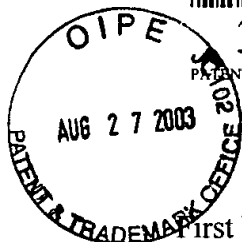




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Dear Sir:

The above-identified application is currently pending. The application is under final rejection pursuant to an Office Action dated 01/27/2003. The Office Action rejected (article) claims 1-16, 18-27, 29, and 30, and withdrew (method) claims 59-65 from consideration. The Office Action omitted reference to article claim 32, which is also pending in the application. On April 28, 2003 (a Monday), Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal by Express Mail. A Petition for 2-Month Extension pursuant to Rule 136(a) is filed herewith, extending the deadline to file an appeal brief to August 28, 2003. The application therefore remains pending.

Accompanying this Submission is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to Rule 114, with authorization to pay the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

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Petition for 2-Month Extension Under Rule 136(a)

Applicants hereby request a 2-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), to extend the deadline for response to August 28, 2003. Please charge the required fee provided in 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this paper is submitted herewith.



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Docket No.: 55282US010

RCE 1706

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
- iv. ☒ Other Submission in Support of RCE

2. ☒ A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or credit any overpayments to:
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- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Other

Respectfully submitted,

27 Aug. 2003

Date

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